

CBA LPRC POSITION REQUEST FORM

The CBA Disability Law **position request** is as follows:

- 1) Proposed legislative or regulatory concept:

Request for assistance to persuade the Social Security Administration to reopen the Hearings Offices within the next six weeks.

- 2) A plain language explanation and rationale for advancing this position:

The Social Security Administration's Office of Hearings Operations has closed all Hearings Offices nationwide, resulting in considerable harm to the disabled. The Social Security Administration does not appear to be moving with any sense of urgency to reopen the Hearings Offices.

- 3) Is draft regulation, legislation or proposed bill included?

Request is enclosed

- 4) What is the date of any legislative hearing, if known?

N/A

- 5) Was this position previously approved by the CBA? If so, when does/did it expire?

N/A

- 6) Is the CBA section or committee seeking to join a previously approved CBA section or committee position?

N/A

- 7) Potential or actual CBA opposition from another CBA section or committee?

N/A

- 8) Strength of section position (including process and results of section vote taken on issue):

Unanimous vote 9-0 in favor of supporting letter

- 9) Fiscal impact (on the state):

N/A

- 10) Are you seeking "fast-track" approval?¹

YES

¹ A "fast track" recommendation will be submitted to the House of Delegates (HOD) or Board of Governors (BOG) at its next scheduled meeting (or, if between meetings of the HOD or BOG and during the legislative session, to the Executive Committee), and is warranted only when the Legislative Policy & Review Committee concludes that further analysis and study is unnecessary and where there is legitimate time pressure to address pending legislation.